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The Honorable Daniel P. Moynihan  
 Vice Chairman, Senate Select  
 Committee on Intelligence  
 United States Senate  
 Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Vice Chairman:

As you requested, I am writing to provide you with additional information relevant to the FY 84 personnel request for the Directorate of Intelligence. As you will recall, during the 1960s and 1970s the strength of the Intelligence Community dropped [redacted] Beginning in 1979-80 the SSCI--with you in the vanguard--began helping to rebuild the Community. During the first several years the emphasis was on improving our collection capabilities across the board--the GDIP, the CCP and CIA. For example from FY-1980 through FY-1983, CIA received [redacted] of these, the Directorate of Intelligence received [redacted] analysts, with the remainder secretaries, file clerks, and information processors. Should the Agency's FY-1984 requests be satisfied, the Directorate of Intelligence will have received [redacted] for the Agency as a whole (FY-80 through FY-84). Beginning in FY 84, however, CIA is giving emphasis to rebuilding its analytic capability.

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These increments to our analytic strength come against a background of virtually no increase in the number of analyst positions in CIA between 1963 and 1981. I hardly need to remind you of the enormous multiplication of Soviet weapons and R&D programs during this period as well as the increasingly sophisticated nature of weapons analysis [redacted]

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Moreover, during that period many new analytic tasks were assigned to CIA by the President and the National Security Council. These included the whole issue of technology transfer (for which we had to reassign [redacted] analysts working on other problems), terrorism (to which we assigned [redacted] analysts), narcotics (where we have [redacted] analysts), international energy and economic affairs growing out of the 1973 embargo and the revolution in Iran, and so forth.

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Much of the resource request for this directorate during this period of rebuilding is to reconstruct our Soviet effort and again to put in place a

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strong analytic capability on Third World to allow us to forecast in a timely way for the policymaker problems in the developing nations and the newly industrializing countries that will affect the United States.

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You and the Committee strongly supported our request for analyst positions last year, and I hope you will continue to support our effort to rebuild capabilities we have lost and our capability to meet new problems.

Sincerely,



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